

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is requested prior to the initial examination of the above-identified patent application to correct minor grammatical errors. No new matter has been added.

- 5 If the Examiner has any suggestions for placing this application in even better form, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned and the number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted

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Marked-up Version

Abstract of the Disclosure

Please amend the abstract as followed:

- 5 |       It is an object to provide, in a data storage circuit for storing data, provide a power saving data storage circuit and a data writing method in the data storage circuit, and, further, to provide a data storage device.
- 10 |      Thus, in the present invention, reading out of existing data stored in a storage element M is performed prior to performing writing of new data to the storage element M to compare the existing data and the new data. The data storage circuit is configured so that in a case 15 where the existing data and the new data are identical with each other, writing to the storage element M is not performed, and, in a case where the existing data and the new data are not identical with each other, writing of the new data to the storage element M is performed. The 20 data storage circuit is formed on a semiconductor substrate to have a data storage device.